

August 2003

Attendees and Area Announcements listed after minutes.

HQE IP Positions, Update

The HQE IP Program Manager position is in the selection process..

Betty Hastings was selected as HQE-EMSC Coordinator. Betty starts October 1, 2003. She is currently manages HRSA's Traumatic Brain Injury Program.

Cooperative Agreement Announcement, Update

We received 31 applications: 17 Part I and 14 Part II. It is a good group of applicants, representing most IHS Areas.

The objective review committee for the Part I applications met this week and completed the review of the Part I applications.

The Part II reviews will be conducted by field reviewers over the next 2 weeks.

The results of the reviews and notification to successful and unsuccessful applicants will be made after October 1.

Part I Continuation Applications documents are in the process of review. I encourage you to conduct an thorough and critical review. Please call or e-mail Alan if you want him to discuss a specific application with Patricia during the review process.

Reimbursements

A request for reimbursements to Areas for general Injury Prevention expenses incurred since December 2002 has not gone out yet. Make sure you have all of your requests in.

Bruce Chelikowsky was preparing the Fellowship expenses disbursement to Area's this week. Some Area OEHE Director's had not included Fellowship expenses in their request to Bruce. Area's are advised to keep their management informed about Fellowship participants.

Send Sleep Safe Workshop reimbursement requests to Harold Cully. Send Ride Safe Workshop reimbursement requests to Alan Dellapenna.

Annual NHTSA Report

Ryan Hill will coordinate the annual NHTSA report again this year. Thank you Ryan. Report format information will be sent to Area Injury Prevention Specialist in an e-mail. Reports should be to Ryan on or before September 15, 2003. The IHS report to NHTSA is an important marketing opportunity for IHS. The distribution of NHTSA funds to Areas will be based on activities reported by Area's in their report.

Plans for this year's NHTSA agreement was also covered during the call. Highlights include an effort by NHTSA and IHS to increase the collaboration between IHS and BIA. This year's agreement also includes funding for a law enforcement fellowship: funds are targeted to place a Tribal or BIA police officer at the BIA Highway Safety Program Office in Albuquerque and have the officer go through the IHS IPS Fellowship.

US Fire Administration Meetings

Harold Cully is planning to attend the US Fire Administration's stake holder's meeting in September.

Fellowship Update

The second PDF class was held in Salt Lake City the first week of August. By all accounts, the class was a great success. Class members and class with instructors in Salt Lake City below:



We have had some travel order and logistic problems reported by class members. Some class members have reported that have had little to no contact from their mentor and/or Area Injury Prevention Specialist since they entered the Fellowship. 13 of the 14 class members are tribal employees with less experience and familiarity with travel and the IHS Injury Prevention system. The next Fellowship class is October 20-24 in Phoenix Area. This would be very good time to contact your Fellows, see how their experience is going, find out where they are with their project and assignments, make sure travel problems are under control, and make sure they are ready for the Phoenix class.

We are just a couple of months away from sending out the announcement for applicants for the next class of the EPI Fellowship. It is a good time for Area's to think about potential applicants, make preliminary contact, and involve potential applicants in IP training and activities.

Planning for the Up-Coming Year

Robert Letourneau and Carolyn Crump from UNC visited HQE in August as the first step in the final phase of the IP Program Evaluation. The visit also provided opportunity to focus on planning for Injury Prevention activities over the next year.

Included in the events are 2 **meetings for Area and District Injury Prevention staff** (March 15-19 & June 14-18). Please include these as you prepare your plans for the year.

Introduction to IP Courses in Bemidji, Aberdeen, and Alaska Area's scheduled for this fall have been canceled. Courses scheduled in Tucson, Oklahoma City and Portland are still scheduled to be presented. The Oklahoma City Course is full. **Intermediate IP** courses are scheduled for Navajo and Alaska Area's.

Area's are strongly encouraged to add their courses and scheduled events on the IP web site calendar <http://www.dehs.ihs.gov/noinjuries>.

The following is a list of scheduled activities.

Sept 3-4 **TSC meeting**, Bismarck – Advocacy with Tribal leadership, Marketing Training, committee meetings

Oct 28-30 **Injury Prevention Academic Review Committee**, Denver – A working meeting devoted to final planning and session development for the revised Advanced IP course; annual revision to the Intro and Intermediate IP course; planning for the IP Instructors Workshop

Oct 20-24 **PDF Field Course**, Phoenix

Dec 15-19, **Advanced IP Course**, Phoenix – the first presentation of the revised course.

Feb 2-6 **PDF Course**, Albuquerque

Mar 4, **IP Program Evaluation Report to HQE** – UNC staff will present a summary of the final evaluation report to the IHS Director and lead IHS officials and partners.

Mar 15-19, **IP Instructors Workshop/IP Evaluation Report to Area IPS**, Nashville – This is an Area and District Injury Prevention Specialists meeting where the revised training courses will be covered and the final report of the IP Program evaluation report will be presented.

Apr 5-9, **Violence Prevention Course**, Albuquerque – The first offering of a new course, coordinated by Larry Berger and planned in partnership with the IHS Behavioral Health Program. IHS and Tribal IP and Behavioral Health staff are target for participation.

Jun 14-18, **PDF Symposium/IPS Mtg/Part I Workshop**, DC. This is an Area and District Injury Prevention Specialists meeting that will include the Symposium for the PD Fellowship and Part I Project Coordinators/Officers annual meeting. A unique feature of the week will be advocacy training for Fellowship class members and IP staff followed by tribal members meeting with their congressional delegations and IHS IP staff meeting with various federal partners; all advocating for AI/AN Injury Prevention. The symposium will be a poster session at IHS HQE with IHS staff and partners invited.

UTTC On-Line Courses

The Injury Prevention Program at United Tribes Technical College has registration open until September 9 for their next group of injury prevention courses. More information <http://www.uttc.edu/injuryprevention>.

GPRA

It is the time of year that the Annual GPRA reports are being prepared. Please send Alan Dellapenna copies of Area reports. He wants to appropriate cite Area contributions to the goal of 36 proven intervention strategies.

Next Call

Next call will be held **September 18, 2003** at 2:00 pm Eastern time. Conference call numbers are the same for each call:

Phone Number: **888-323-7711**

Pass Code: **85538**

Leader: **Alan Dellapenna**

Participants and Area Announcements

Aberdeen: John Weaver. The Aberdeen Area Introduction to Injury Prevention Course schedule for Sept was canceled. John is looking to place students in other course offered this year.

Albuquerque: Jerry Lee. Jerry offered to help with logistics on the June meetings in DC.

Anchorage: Ryan Hill. The Anchorage Area Introduction to Injury Prevention Course schedule for Sept was canceled

Bemidji: Diana Kuklinski. Diana asked for resources for data analysis. Ellen Schmidt of the Child Safety Network (202) 572-3734 was recommended. Their data resource center in Salt Lake City is reportedly available to offer data assistance to states and tribes.

Billings: John Sery.

California: Not on the call.

Nashville: Not on the call.

Navajo: Nancy Bill. Navajo Area has an Intermediate IP course scheduled for Sept, David Wallace is assisting as an instructor. The Shiprock District Injury Prevention Specialist Position has been re-announced. Navajo Area is actively seeking applicants for the position.

Oklahoma: Harold Cully. Smoke Alarms for Sleep Safe sites will be mailed in mid September.

Phoenix: Kenny Hicks. Phoenix Area staff are actively involved in planning for the PD Fellowship field course. Many thanks to their hard work.

Portland: Linda Tiokasin. Portland Area will host an "Introduction to IP" Course in April in Spokane.

Tucson: Not on the call.

Environmental Health Support Center: Bobby Villines.

CDC, NCIPC: David Wallace. The announcement for the NCIPS Tribal Motor Vehicle Injury Prevention Cooperative Agreements is open until October.

Rockville: Alan Dellapenna.